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SOVEREIGN GRACE BAPTIST CHURCH

Of Princeton, New Jersey

Jesus Christ

For by Him were all things created,
that are in heaven, and that are in earth,
visible and invisible ...

And He is before all things,
and by Him all things consist.
- Colossians 1:16-17

WEEKLY SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday: 10:00 AM Bible Class
11:00 AM Morning Service
Thursday: 7:00 PM Mid-week Service

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Beloved, if you will fetch your peace from anything in
the world but Christ, you will fetch it from where it is
not.
Tobias Crisp

Sin in the Subduing of Sins

Mortify the deeds of your flesh, but do it through the Spirit. How do we do that? The gospel is mighty in “casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ” (2 Co 10:5.) Believer, have you found it to be so? As you hear the gospel of Christ and are filled with the Spirit you are drawn to Christ in the wonder of how he loved you and gave himself for you in obedience to the Father. It is then that you find that from the inside out your every thought is brought into captivity under the dominion and power of the grace of Christ. Just as a body is strengthened by continually eating at the dinner table so it is as we feed upon the truth of our Lord. This is how the deeds are truly mortified. But if Christ is not the Deliverer, if the deeds be not mortified through the Spirit, but by some cold command of duty divorced from the soul-subduing gospel of Christ then as we flatter ourselves that we have mortified our members, sin is actually thriving and reigning supreme.

THE SPOTLESS LAMB OF GOD

Christ came into this world to fulfill the law and did so. He was tried by Satan, by the law, and by men, yet not one sin was committed by this holy, harmless, undefiled perfect servant of the Father as he served (Isaiah 42: 21) Therefore, when the hour was come, Christ Jesus was the only one fit to offer himself without spot to God to undergo the absolute transaction of baring the sins of his people in his own body which only God could bring to pass.

THE LORD HATH LAID ON HIM THE INIQUITY

Isaiah 53: 6

Why was it a necessity for the LORD to lay on Christ the iniquity of his people before bruising him? All our hope, brethren, is that the judge of all the earth shall do right! (Proverbs 17: 15). The whole purpose for which the Lord Jesus laid down his life was to declare the righteousness of God. But if iniquity itself had not been laid upon Christ, it had been injustice for the Lord to have bruised him. The mystery of the cross is not that God punished one who was innocent, though Christ knew no sin of himself. The mystery of the cross is that the Just One willingly submitted himself to the LORD who took the iniquity off his children and laid it upon Christ making him sin so that God was just to pour out wrath upon Christ (1 Pet 1: 24; Is 53: 6, 11-12; 2 Cor 5: 21.) Then in perfect harmony with holy justice “he was wounded for our transgressions and bruised for our iniquities.” This amazing faithful act of God’s Servant was both the complete active fulfillment of the law (and the fulfillment of the penalty of the law for the elect of God. Those born of the Spirit of Christ are made partakers of the divine nature so that we believe on Christ in whom we have established the law and by the constraint of his love for us by which Christ has made us complete in him we walk with him daily.

THE EXPRESS IMAGE

The sacrifice under the old covenant on the Day of Atonement was a type. A type means it was “as if” the sins of the people were put on the goat. A shadow means God treated the goat “as if” he were sin. A picture means God regarded the sacrifice “as if” sin had been put away. But because it all was only “as if”, the entire picture had to be played out again next year because it was impossible for the picture to actually do what it pictured (Hebrews 10: 1-18.)

The book of Hebrews is the declaration that Christ is the express image of that typified in the shadow (Heb 1: 3; 10: 1.) Animals were not in man’s nature but Christ was made the express nature of the children of Abraham when he was made of a woman (Heb 2: 16; Gal 4: 4). Bulls and goats in shadow and type came under the law but Christ was expressly made under the law. (Gal 4: 4). Bulls and goats had sin laid on them metaphorically, but the LORD himself hath expressly laid on Christ in his own body the iniquity of all his elect people. (Heb 10: 4-10; 1 Pet 1: 24; Is 53: 6, 11-12; 2 Cor 5: 21.) The blood of goats made atonement in a ceremonial way, but Christ blood has expressly made eternal satisfaction (Heb 7: 19; 9: 26; 10: 12-14). The blood of bulls and goats purified the flesh in a shadowy ceremonial way, but Christ’s blood expressly purges the conscious from dead works to serve the true and living God so that there is expressly no more conscious of sins in the believer (Heb 9: 13-14; 10: 1-4.) “So Christ was once offered to bear the sins of many; and unto them that look for him shall he appear the second time without sin unto salvation” (Heb 9:28.)

After that we have heard the truth, let us not traduce this amazing “mystery” to be nothing more than the “as if” of the shadow lest we “tread underfoot the Son of God and count the blood of the covenant wherewith he was sanctified an unholy thing, and hath done despite the Spirit of grace.” (Hebrews 10: 29.)

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